

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20410-3000
COURSE ANNOUNCEMENT

Title: Computer Matching Income Verification Discrepancy Resolution

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

HUD has launched a new initiative under the Real Estate Assessment Center (REAC) to help Public Housing Agencies, Owners, and Management Agents (POAs) detect and deter abuse of rental assistance programs. This initiative uses computer matching income verification (CMIV) to match Federal tax information to income data provided to HUD by POAs. REAC then issues discrepancy notifications to POAs alerting them that potential income discrepancies exist for certain tenants and asks POAs to determine if discrepancies are valid. POAs subsequently report their discrepancy resolution results to REAC. This information will help POAs detect abuses in rental assistance programs and will assist HUD in targeting areas for rental assistance program improvement. CMIV will also assist HUD to insure that eligible individuals or families have received rental assistance at the appropriate level.

To prepare POAs for their important role in CMIV discrepancy resolution, HUD conducted initial training sessions on March 14 and March 16, 2000. This training session, similar to the initial sessions, is designed to provide POAs with a sufficient understanding of the process involved to accurately perform discrepancy resolution activities. The presentation of course material during the training session consists of a case study to illustrate the discrepancy resolution process. A taped video segment describes the Internet status reporting application, which POAs are required to use when reporting the results of their discrepancy resolution activities to REAC.

At the end of this training session, POA participants will be able to:

- Review initial discrepancy notifications from HUD;
- Resolve discrepancies; and
- Report status of resolution activities to REAC on a quarterly basis.

METHOD OF DELIVERY: Distance Learning

COURSE DATE: June 26, 2000

COURSE TIME: 1:00 P.M. To 4:00 P.M. Eastern Standard Time

COURSE LOCATION: HUD Local Offices, including Hub Offices and Program Centers, or via simulcast at <http://www.hud.gov/webcasts/>

SATELLITE COORDINATES: GE1, C Band Key Code W1, Transponder 1, Channel 1, 3720 MHz, Horizontal 103 Degrees West

TARGETED AUDIENCE AND WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

This broadcast is primarily targeted toward Public Housing Agencies, Owners, and Management Agents (POAs) involved with the following HUD rental assistance programs: Public Housing, Section 8 Tenant-Based, Section 8 Project-Based, Rental Supplement, Rental Assistance Program, 202 and 811 Project Rental Assistance Contract and 202/162 Project Assistance Contract.

COURSE MATERIALS:

A draft of the POA Discrepancy Resolution Guide (POA Guide), which details the CMIV discrepancy resolution activities, has been posted on the REAC Web site. Although it is not required, participants are encouraged to review the POA Guide prior to attending this training session.

QUESTIONS:

The training session will include a Question and Answer period for participants. The course presenters from the REAC Tenant Assessment Subsystem and a panel of representatives from the Office of Public and Indian Housing and the Office of Housing will be available to address participant questions.

People interested in attending this training should first contact the HUD Offices to verify space arrangements.

If you have questions prior to the distance learning training session regarding general administrative and technical questions, you may contact Vicki Ellison, the Training Consultant, at 202-708-4932, extension 3961. For computer matching income verification, you may contact Myra Newbill at 202-708-4932, extension 3211.